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TARANAKI BRANCH GSA NEWSLETTER

Government Superannuitants Association: Taranaki Branch

Chairman's Report: April 2025

Another year and we prepare for another AGM. Thank you to all the members who attended the "Antiques Roadshow" Christmas function. Thanks also to Judy Hanline for making all the arrangements. It was the best attendance at any of our functions in a long time. Our Board representative, Alan Peck, had been looking forward to being there but was not prepared to risk bringing Covid to our group. Interesting that he did not develop the disease. From my own experience it is not as contagious as we were told to believe, but those who are above the average life expectancy in a country are at significant risk of a serious result if they do contract it.

For our AGM on Wednesday 28th May, the Committee experienced the usual dilemma of finding a guest speaker. We have engaged local personality Morris West. I have yet to meet Morris personally, but he was free that day and readily agreed to come and speak to us about some of his more interesting experiences. His life has certainly been busy, varied, and includes being a celebrant, MC at functions, columnist, TV and radio presenter, mascot, coach and referee for several sports codes, quiz master, hearing dog socialiser and a superb Mrs Brown impersonator. As an actor he has appeared in more than 100 shows in three countries. He is also spokesperson for "Hearing Dogs" and that organisation will receive a donation in acknowledgement for him coming to speak to us. I feel confident that this should be an AGM that you will be glad you attended.

Over the year, the Committee have seriously considered options to try and engage with our Branch members in line with suggestions made by Council resulting from the workshop session at last year's Council meeting. The problem is that being a relatively small branch we are limited by the time available to our existing Committee members, the majority of whom are octogenarians. While that is representative of the whole organisation's demographic, we are currently unable to achieve more than we currently do unless we get new membership taking over the roles on the Committee. I am aware that there are a few out there and I know that they are also limited in numbers, but if we do not achieve replacement of the current members, then the impending consequences will become a reality. With only four significant meetings required each year, the imposition on one's time is not a lot. If you do not have experience, you can learn on the job. All we need is for younger members of the Branch who have not taken an active role so far to volunteer. Yes, it is taking on a degree of leadership, but most will have had to do that in some respect in their careers.

Here is some photos from our Christmas meeting for you to have a look at.



Tom Philipson discussing some of the items which we brought by some of members.



A few of the items on display.



Quiet time while we are enjoying our Christmas meal.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 28th May 2025

Venue THE PLYMOUTH HOTEL, NEW PLYMOUTH

Format	10.00am	Morning Tea or Coffee and welcome
	10.30am	AGM
	10.50am	Alan Peck on the Board's activities
	11.15am	Morris West –Taranaki Local Personality Semi retired

At some time, he has been, a Celebrant, Master of Ceremony, Justice of the Peace, Actor, Director and Producer of plays, Columnist, TV presenter and commentator, Radio presenter, Voice over artist, Basketball, Netball and Rugby mascot, Tennis, Netball, Cricket and Football coach, Football, Netball and Rugby referee, Quizmaster, Hearing dog socialiser and Spokesperson and the World's best Mrs Brown impersonator, (according to Brendon O'Carroll). He has appeared on every Taranaki stage, except Hawera, and most recently had character roles in Jersey Boys and Agatha Crusty and the Village Hall Murders. He has appeared in over 100 shows in three countries and still loves it every time.



11.40am	Mix and Mingle – drinks
12.00pm	Lunch

Members, spouses, and friends are invited to this meeting.

The subsidised cost is \$30 per person which includes morning tea and lunch.

Please pay by direct debit to GSA Taranaki Branch 15 3953 0455999 00 or cash on the day.

Please ring Denyse Salisbury, phone 753 4998 or 021 0428268

or email taranaki@gsa.org.nz

by Wednesday 8th May if you are able to join us.

We look forward to seeing you there.

AGENDA FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Apologies and a minute's silence for those who have died during the year.

Minutes of 2024 AGM	Matters arising
Chairman's Report	Matters arising
Financial Report	Matters arising

Election of Officers

Chairman	Les Sharp
Vice Chairman	Ian McKillop
Committee	Rosalie Rangi, Denyse Salisbury, Graeme Orr, Sandra Weston, Judy Hanline (all sitting members)

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE TARANAKI BRANCH OF THE GSA HELD TUESDAY 15TH MAY 2024 at the PLYMOUTH HOTEL.

AGM Minutes of the GSA Taranaki held at the Plymouth International Hotel on the 15th May 2024 at 10.30am.

Opening: The Chairperson, Les Sharp declared the meeting open at 10.30am.

Present: 26 members, including Alan Peck Board Support Liaison Member Taranaki.

Apologies were received from: Alex Fahey, Margaret Fahey, Major Mawson, Fay Hanright, Sue Orr, Margaret Emo, Peter Cotterill, Barbara Garrett, Sue Sharp, Jenifer Lina, Helena Moore & Keith Pigott.

Moved: Avon Grace Seconded by Mary Vinnicombe that these apologies be accepted.

Carried

A minute's silence was observed in remembrance of those members who had died since our last AGM.

Minutes of the 2023 AGM were taken as read. Moved Les Sharp Seconded Ian McKillop

Carried

Financial Statement: Denyse Salisbury Moved, seconded by Mary Vinnicombe that this be accepted.

Carried

Chairman's Report: Moved Les Sharp Seconded Ted Grace

Carried

Election of Officers:

As there were no other nominations it was moved by Ian McKillop and seconded by Sandra Weston that Les Sharp be re-elected Chairman.

Carried

As there were no other nominations it was moved by Les Sharp and seconded by Graeme Orr that Ian McKillop be re-elected Vice Chairman.

Carried

The committee members –Ian McKillop, Denyse Salisbury, Graeme Orr, Judy Hanline, Sandra Weston & Rosalie Rangi were re-appointed as the committee.

This was moved by Les Sharp and seconded by Elizabeth Chapman.

Carried

Confirmation that Denyse Salisbury had been appointed as Secretary/Treasurer this was moved by Les Sharp and seconded by Rosalie Rangī

Carried.

Reviewer: It was moved by Denyse Salisbury and seconded by Sandra Weston that Jo Burton be elected Reviewer.

Carried

General Business:

Our Guest Speakers were Olivia Conley Public Information Officer & Rakei Ngaia Community Resilience Advisor from Civil Defence.

Discussion on Morning tea to be reviewed. A show of hands for the morning tea to be retained but the final decision to be left up to the committee.

The cost of the hireage for Room for meeting to be considered into the cost for Morning Tea/ Lunch.

The cost of \$30.00 a head was decided on & \$5.00 a head for Morning Tea only

Alan Peck the Board Support Liaison Member spoke to the meeting on the Board's activities.

The Subscriptions to increase to \$3.00 per payday or \$39.00 a year.

Cola (Cost of Living Allowance).

Payments of excess monies to be paid to Head Office but the Branch needs to ensure they have enough to keep running the Branch for two years.

Incorporated Societies Act changes to Constitution to be discussed at Council Meeting

The meeting closed at 10.50am.

If you have changed any of your details such as your email addresses/cell phone/landline please advise Denyse of any changes to keep our records up to date

If you have had a change of address in the last twelve months please advise DATACOM directly either by telephoning them or emailing them.

The telephone number and email address for Datacom is below:

Government Superannuation Fund Annuity – phone 0800 654 731
or email gsf@fundadmin.nz

National Provident Fund Annuity – phone 0800 628 776
or email npfenquiries@fundadmin.nz

**Taranaki Branch
Financial Statements for 31 March 2024**

Financial performance (Income & Expenses)	31-Mar-25	31-Mar-24
Income		
Subscriptions received GSF	\$4,069.85	\$3,605.95
Subscriptions (received NPF)		\$45.50
Subscriptions annual)		\$39.00
Function monies received	\$1,715.00	\$1,855.00
Interest received - Society chq a/c		\$525.88
Interest received - Business on call	\$78.72	\$37.86
Interest received - term deposit	\$240.00	\$15.51
Total Income	\$6,103.57	\$6,124.70
Expenses		
Functions	\$4,475.00	\$5,012.00
Communications Organisation	\$390.72	\$446.96
Remuneration/Honoraria	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Office function		\$295.31
Financial	\$172.50	\$69.00
Income tax		
Payment to GSA Head Office		\$4,000.00
Total Expenses	\$6,038.22	\$10,823.27
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	\$65.35	-\$4,698.57
Financial Position (Balance Sheet)		
	31-Mar-25	31-Mar-24
Accumulated funds 1 April (previous year)	\$9,631.98	\$14,199.85
Distributions paid		
Surplus/Deficit (current)	\$65.35	-\$4,698.57
Total (Accumulated Funds current)	\$9,566.63	\$9,501.28
Represented by		
Assets		
Society Cheque account	\$2,450.05	\$2,463.42
Business On Call	\$3,116.58	\$3,037.86
Term deposits	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Total cash/bank	\$9,566.63	\$9,501.28
Accounts receivable		
Less liabilities		
Accounts payable		

Term Deposit: 1 - \$4,000 12 months
4.55%

Signed :
Secretary

Chairperson

I have reviewed the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024

A review is limited primarily to enquiries of Branch personnel and an analytical review of compliance with policy and procedures as applied to the financial data. There are not performed an audit and accordingly I do not express an audit opinion, on the basis of my review, nothing has come to my attention that causes me to believe that the above financial statements do not give a true and fair view

Signed Name Date